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# PROPOSED MARKET

**Borough President Miller, Who Is Chairman of the Commission on Markets, Has Had Prepared a Detailed Plan for a New Market. To be a Wholesale, Not Retail Market And Is to be Located At 110th St. and 1st Ave. Suggested by President Miller. Considers It Will Be a Great Benefit to the City.**

The studies for determining the causes of the remarkable rise in the price of foodstuffs which has taken place in the last ten or twelve years, have shown that in New York, as in other large American cities, there was costly waste of effort in transportation and handling and considerable loss and destruction of the foodstuffs themselves to the lack of modern market facilities.

As a result of this revelation, Mayor Gaynor appointed the "Mayor's Market Commission," which was to examine into market conditions in the City of New York and to report upon a plan to change the conditions so as to reduce the cost of handling foodstuffs.

Borough President Cyrus C. Miller, who is an ardent advocate of the creation of municipal markets for this purpose, was made chairman of the Commission, of which John Purroy Mitchell and George McAneny are the other members. An Advisory Committee also was appointed, composed of marketmen,

tan cities, has grown so large, both in area and in population, that it has become physically impossible for the neighboring producers to bring enough supplies to the market, and for the consumer to go to market for his small daily needs.

## A Wholesale, Not Retail, Market.

The proposed market is primarily a wholesale market, designed to receive foodstuffs from everywhere—by rail, by boat and by farmer's wagon—and to distribute them among the retailers who are performing to-day the function of supplying the ultimate consumer. It will handle foodstuffs with the least waste of effort and with the smallest deterioration in quality, and it will keep them in storage at the market under the most perfect conditions until the consumer wants them. The municipal authorities may here exercise a control over the methods of buying and selling sufficient to counteract violent fluctuations in price and unjust price fixing.

The effect of collecting the food supply for that section of the city where place will be to enable the authorities to inspect the

## Central Situation.

The situation of the market is central. Although located in the Bronx, it is not exclusively a Bronx market. The Harlem River bridges on the south, and the 161st St. and Washington bridges on the north, lead into broad avenues with light grades, which bring the market within easy reach of the whole of Manhattan Borough above 110th St., a section of the City which is at present singularly unprovided with market facilities of any importance.

Besides, serving the Bronx and upper Manhattan, the market will also serve as a base of supplies for Mt. Vernon, New Rochelle and a part of Yonkers.

It has been laid out on lines broad enough to supply the needs of a population which, according to the estimates of competent authorities, will be largely in excess of 3,000,000 in 1940.

## Ground or Track Level.

The ground or track level of the market is designed to act as a veritable freight yard on the Hudson.

Only trucks engaged will have to cross at grade, and this at crossings, not over the bridges and from the well as the general will be exposed nel

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